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SUBJECT: UNCTAD PREPARATORY MEETING ON COPPER

REF: A. GENEVA 6314 (NOTAL), B. GENEVA A-200 OF AUGUST 9, 1976

1. AFTER TALKING WITH UK DELEGATE TO MARCH COPPER CONSULTATION, MICHAEL JOHNSON OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, UK MISSION CONTACT HAS INFORMED US THAT LONDON NOT HAPPY ABOUT WAY UNCTAD HANDLING COPPER CONSULTATION BUT HAS GRAVE DOUBTS THAT WE CAN DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT AT THIS STAGE. LONDON BELIEVES OECD MEMBERS SHOULD GET TOGETHER BEFORE GENEVA MEETING TO COORDINATE POSITIONS AND NOTES EC INE WILL PROBABLY MEET IN EARLY SEPTEMBER. BRITISH FEEL COORDINATION FOR COPPER MEETING IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT AS IT IS THE FIRST PREPARATORY MEETING. BEST SOLUTION IN UK VIEW WOULD BE AGREEMENT IN ADVANCE BETWEEN CONSUMERS AND SOME PRODUCERS ON HOW TO REACT AT MEETING.

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2. JOHNSON ALSO SAID THE ZAMBIANS HAVE TOLD CONTACTS IN

UK THAT THEY ARE NOT PARTICULARLY HAPPY ABOUT WAY THINGS ARE GOING ON COPPER AND WERE TOLD BY BRITISH THAT THEY SHOULD COMPLAIN TO UNCTAD SYG COREA. BRITISH NOTE THAT ZAMBIANS WERE REASONABLY CONTENT WITH MARCH MEETING AND ARE AFRAID THAT PUSHING TOO FAST WILL SPOIL THE CHANCES FOR AN AGREEMENT.

3. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN INFORMED THAT THE WEST GERMANS LEFT AN AIDE-MEMOIRE WITH COREA LAST WEEK URGING THAT THE SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED BY THE MARCH CONSULTATION BE FOLLOWED FAITHFULLY AND THAT UNCTAD CALL NOT OTHER MEETING ON COPPER UNTIL MARCH CONSULTATION COMPLETED.

4. REF (B) TRANSMITS UNCTAD'S NOTIFICATION OF PREPARATORY MEETING ON COPPER. CATTO

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